MURRAY FAMILIES
OF
CROSS ROADS
CHURCH AREA
The
MURRAY
and Related Families
of the
Cross Roads Church
Area
(Alamance and Orange Counties, N. C.)

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Historical Introduction

This is an attempt to list the family tree of the Murray and related families, the Scots-Irish, who settled during the 1700's in Orange, now Alamance County near the present Cross Roads Church.

The name Scots-Irish has a special meaning. In 1600 King James I of England, having conquered Ireland, set up the Ulster Plantations in Ireland. He offered 2000 acres to anyone who would get 20 families to go there and settle on each 2000 acre plot. He had hoped that it would attract the poor in English cities, but most of the people who went there were Scots. They considered themselves as still Scots, merely living in Ireland. They had very little to do with the Irish (Catholics) while retaining their own Presbyterian Churches. By early 1700 they more or less outnumbered the Irish! Quit Rents became too much to pay and laws were passed that excluded anyone from holding public office or serving in the military who was not a member of the Catholic Church. The Scots, meanwhile, had to pay tithes to the Catholic Church and also support their own church. It was too much! In late 1600 they started coming to the America in large numbers. The greatest numbers came in 1721 and 1739, settling in Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland. By 1740 no more land was available in Pennsylvania, so the Scots headed for the "back country" where land was cheap or
could be acquired by just settling on the land. There were few if any Indians left, they having moved west and north.

The first to arrive in North Carolina were those whose names are common in the area today - Murray - Tate - Anderson - White - Mebane, etc. The original settlers arrived in 1740-1755 and settled in groups; near Cross Roads and the old Hawfields, along the Eno River and at Hillsboro. There were no roads - just Indian and traders trails - and everything had to be brought by horses or on horse drawn sleds. The trails were slowly enlarged and by 1765 there were a few wagons. Hillsboro became a town in 1765 and by 1775 Orange County became the most popular county in North Carolina. Orange County was reduced in size several times. Alamance was cut off in 1848. The earliest towns were at Fayetteville, Henderson, Danville, South Boston, Virginia and to supply needs, villages with their stores, shops, etc. sprang up where roads crossed or services were needed.

There were 5 special events that had considerable impact on the people in this area. First was the Revolution that divided the people and set up a new nation. Then the war of 1812 with England. The great depression of 1837 when many settlers in Orange moved west. Shortly after this Cotton mills began to appear along the streams in the area and the farmers started moving into the mill areas for steady pay and less gambling on how crops would turn out and sell. Finally the Civil War destroyed almost
everything that had taken so long to build up. Whole families left the farms since the number of men killed during the war left almost no one to run the farms. This area had slaves, but they were limited in number, since there were very few really large plantations which could economically use them before 1865.

My work started out to trace my own family which came from the Cross Roads area. The more I learned in this effort the more it became apparent that all the information should be put into a form which could be preserved and as a help to others who might like to trace their families but did not have the time required to do so. From the original William Murray and James Murray, I have tried to bring their two families (They were tied together by marriage in 1778!) down to at least 1850-1900. At this point any mature person who knows who his grandparents were can add to the data I have assembled to complete his family tree, provided his family is listed here. Please feel free to use any part of this work as you wish. I ask that if you do use this to extend your family line down to the present please let me know and send me a copy of your work. Also, there are likely some errors - I would like to know of this too!
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Section I

William Murray
B - 1714(?) — D-1785-1790(?)
Name of wife not known

William came to the United States from the Ulster Plantations in Ireland. Exactly when is not known but is believed to have been in 1721. His family with other "Scotch-Irish" settled near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. His father is believed to have been William Murray, son of John Murray.

Sketchy history says that William Murray with his wife and 5 children came to North Carolina in the 1740's. If this is true it is also likely that his sons James and William L. were born in North Carolina. William Murray settled near the Cross Roads Church in Orange County (now Alamance County). In 1790 he owned 700 acres of land and had 1 slave.

Children:

1. Elizabeth Murray
   B - Dec. 1739 — D - After 1800
   Married 19 Oct. 1778 to James Murray
   (For this family line see James Murray in Section II)

2. Margaret Murray
   B - 10 Jan. 1741 — D - After 1800
   Never married
   In 1800 Margaret was living at the home of her brother, William Lawrence Murray.

3. Martha Murray
   B - May 1742 — D - ?
   Never married
   In 1800 Martha was living with her sister Elizabeth, wife of James Murray (Sect. II)
4. Walter Murray  
B - Feb. 1744  D - 1818 ? -  
name of wife unknown

Children
A. John Murray  
B - 1776? D -  
moved 17 Feb. 1802 to
Elizabeth Baldridge
B - 1780?  D After 1860

a. Lambert Murray  
B - 1803 -  
to Elizabeth Haney
D - 1801 - D

Children
1. Jamey Murray  
B - 1832
2. Sarah Murray  
B - 1833
3. Susan Murray  
B - 1837
4. John Murray  
B-1839 to Elizabeth Horne
D-1865 B-22 Feb. 1835
(Died at  
Elmira, NY (2nd Marriage to Ben Perry)
After release
from Union
Prison)

Children
(a.) James Allen Murray  
married 5 March 1885 to  
Maggie L. Staley
B - 4 April 1858  
D - 27 Jan. 1935  
B-16 Nov. 1864  D-12 Dec. 1910
(Both are buried in Pine Hill Cem., Burlington, NC)

Children
1. Jimmie Murray  
died at 19 w/fever
2. Johnie  
died as an infant
3. William Henry  
moved 24 Feb. 1924
(Bill Murray) to Exie Baldwin
B - 7 Aug. 1890  (no children)
D - 9 Aug. 1964
4. Faro Columbus Murray married Velna Stout
5. Jess James Murray married Malissa Baldwin
6. Lessie Murray married W. T. (Bill) Somers
7. Ollie Murray married Carl Lashley
8. Walter L. M. Murray married Lucille Culbertson
   (Tom)
9. Lola Murray Married Everett Huffines

(b) Joe Murray
(c) Lee Murray
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<td><strong>f. Ellin Murray</strong>&lt;br&gt; Married ______ Murray&lt;br&gt; B - 1805</td>
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<td><strong>2. A. B. Murray</strong>&lt;br&gt; Male B-1844</td>
<td><strong>3. W. A. Murray</strong>&lt;br&gt; Male B-1846</td>
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<td><strong>6. M. E. Murray</strong>&lt;br&gt; Female B-1852</td>
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<td><strong>d. Stephen Murray</strong>&lt;br&gt; B - 1819</td>
<td><strong>e. Quincy Murray</strong>&lt;br&gt; B - 1828</td>
<td><strong>B. Sarah Murray</strong>&lt;br&gt; Married 26 Dec. 1812 to&lt;br&gt; B - 1785? D -&lt;br&gt; John Arnold (1820 Census 1 Boy and 2 girls in this family.&lt;br&gt; No further record, believed to have moved west.)</td>
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<td><strong>5. John Murray</strong>&lt;br&gt; B - Jan. 1745&lt;br&gt; D - Nov. 1799</td>
<td>Married Jean ______</td>
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<td><strong>(The 1820 Census showed 3 boys and 1 girl.&lt;br&gt; Not in 1830 Census. 1840 Census showed 10 children, Joseph had died after 1820 this&lt;br&gt; total includes Joseph, Jr. and James who were living with their children, their mother&lt;br&gt; and their sister in the same household in&lt;br&gt; S. W. Alamance))</strong></td>
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<td><strong>1. Joseph Murray</strong>&lt;br&gt; Married ______&lt;br&gt; B - 1816?&lt;br&gt; D -&lt;br&gt; (Had 2 or more children, believed to have moved westward.)</td>
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<td><strong>2. James K. Murray</strong>&lt;br&gt; Married Pennia Thomas&lt;br&gt; B-22 Jan. 1818&lt;br&gt; D-07 Jan. 1894&lt;br&gt; B-20 Mar. 1818&lt;br&gt; D-01 June 1886</td>
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1. Isaac C. Murray married __?__
   B - 10 May 1838
   D -
   (Moved to Haw River and raised a family.) A daughter, Alice, married Sam Hughes.

b. C. A. Murray (Female) __?
   B - 10 May 1844

c. William M. Murray not married
   killed during Civil War
   B - 25 Feb. 1842

d. Mary Ann Murray m/Kell Simmons
   B - 13 Jan. 1844
   D - 19 Feb. 1913

e. James Aston Murray m/Nellie Fogleman
   B - 07 Aug. 1847

Children

1. Solon Lorerzo Murray - m/Hattie Nickelson
2. William L. Murray, Sr. - m/Sarah Garrett
3. Jennie M. Murray - m/Joel S. Isley
4. Andrew C. Murray - not married
5. James Martin Murray, Sr. - m/Cleta Patterson
6. Eusefuis A. Murray - m/Bertha Isley
7. Dr. Henry Von Murray - m/Maude Cutler
8. Beulah L. Murray - not married

f. Emaline Murray m/Reitzel
   B - 20 April 1849
   D -

h. Salie A. Murray m/Hudson
   B - 12 May 1853

i. Tillie Mary Murray m/Burgess
   B - 5 April 1855

j. Julia Ann Murray not married
   B - 1 July 1857

k. Albright A. Murray m/___?
   B - 1859

l. Mary Jane Murray ? not married
   B - 1861
   D - 18 May 1880

m. Thomas Enoch Murray m/Susan Cates
   B - 10 Dec. 1863

B. Thomas Murray
   B -
   D -

married
   19 Dec. 1812 to
   Peggy Eccles
6. James Murray

married 22 Nov. 1870 to Susan Cantrell

B - 10 Sept. 1847
D - 29 Aug. 1805

The 1800 Census listed James with 6 children, ages from 6 to 25 years, no wife. In his will his wife was listed as Sarah. Family stories had James as dying in Kentucky, but I find no records to support this. James gave all his property to his wife for life, then to daughters Elizabeth and Ruth.

A. John Murray married

B - 1771? - D - 1800? (a farmer and wagon master)

Children
1. Elizabeth Murray
   B - 1808
   D -
2. Jane Murray
   B - 1804
   D -
3. Melinda Murray
   B - 1810
   D -
4. Isaac Murray
   B - 1812
   D -
5. John Murray
   B - 1821
   D -

B. Jonothan Murray

B -
D -

C. James Murray

B -
D -

D. Ann Murray

B -
D -

E. Elizabeth Murray

B -
D -

F. Ruth Murray

B -
D -

7. William Lawrence Murray

married Margaret

B - 1750
D - 6 Jan. 1805 (Cross Roads Cem.)

The most information we have is on William and his family. He had a family bible and left a will.

The seven children of William and Margaret are as follows:

A. Martha Murray married James Anderson

B - 16 April 1776 - 1795
D - 13 Oct. 1853 (Hawfields Cem.)

Children
1. Robert Anderson
   B -
   D -
2. Margaret Anderson married John Scott
   B - 8 Jan. 1800  3 - 1799
   D - 26 Dec. 1886  D - 21 April 1856
   (Hawfields Cem.) (Hawfields Cem.)

3. Stanford Anderson
   B -  D - married
   The will of James Anderson states that
   Stanford had died and had 3 children
   living in the "Western Country."
   Wife and children not named.

4. Sidney Anderson married
   B -  D -
   Sidney had a family and was living in
   Southern Alamance County in 1850. His
   mother was listed in his household.

5. William Anderson
   B -  D -
   Known only by being listed in his
   father's will - Book 1, Page 27,
   Caswell County, Dated 1849.

B. Robert Murray married Polly Robertson
   B - 8 Nov. 1878  20 Sept. 6 -
   D - 1806  D -
   Robert was listed in the 1820 Census for Orange
   County with 4 boys and 2 girls, born between
   1803 and 1814. Could not find him in later records.

C. Margaret Murray married William Bird
   D - 01 May 1866  1803  D - 16 Mar. 1850
   (Cross Roads Cem.) (Cross Roads Cem.)

Children
1. Thompson Bird
   B -  D -

2. Lucinda Bird married Calvin Boswell
   B -  D -

3. May Bird married Thomas Lynch
   B -  D -

4. Johnny Bird
   B -  D -
   Will of William Bird in Book Q, Page 368,
   Caswell County, NC.
D. William Anderson Murray married Polly Ray
B - 11 Jan. 1783 10 Nov.  B - 1789  D - 1858
D - 27 Oct. 1865 1807
(Cross Roads Cem.)
Will of W. A. Murray in Book 1, Page 249, Orange Co.
Children (As listed in family bible.)
1. Eli Murray - Said to have gone to Wilmington, NC.
2. Lemuel Murray - Said to have gone to Texas.
3. William Murray - Said to have gone to Missouri.
4. Willie (Wiley) Murray
   B - 19 Feb. 1811 married 9 Jan. 1833 to
   D - 20 May 1896 1st Margaret M. Forest
   (Cross Roads Cem.)
   B - 10 May 1809
   D - 08 July 1849
   (Married 4 Times)
Children
(a) Annie Jane  B - 1840
(b) J. A. Murray  B - 1842 - Male
(c) C. C. Murray  B - 1844 - Male
(d) Alph ? "  B - 1849
   2nd Marriage
(e) W. T. Murray  B - 1852 - Male
(f) M. C. Murray  B - 1853 - Female
5. Susan Murray
   B - 1810
   In her fathers will, Mary Jane was given extra money, etc. to care for Susan _?
6. Mary Jane Murray married S. E. Tate
   B - 11 Mar. 1828
   D - 22 Mar. 1914
   (Cross Roads Cem.)
7. Andrew Murray married Mary Catherine Bason
   B - 1824  B - 21 May 1831
   D - 15 Feb. 1890  D - 8 Feb. 1915
   (Cross Roads Cem.)
   (Cross Roads Cem.)
Children
(a) Maria Veanice  B - 1853
   (b) Alice  B - 1855
8. John Thompson Murray married Mary Bownes
   B -         
   D - before 1865
9. Margaret Caroline Murray married Calvin Tate
   B - 30 Aug. 1833  B - 29 Nov. 1815
   D - 22 Dec. 1860  D - 21 Feb. 1899
   (Cross Roads Cem.)
   (Hawfields Cem.)
Children
(a) Joseph Tate
E. John Murray  
married Jenny Tate  
B - 1791  
D - 1825  
Can find no record of any children.

F. Elish Murray  
married Elizabeth Hutchens  
B - 17 April 1794  
D - 13 June 1870  
(Cross Roads Cem.)  
Children  
1. William James  
married Elizabeth Graham  
Murray  
B - 22 Oct. 1822  
D - 01 Feb. 1895  
(Cross Roads Cem.)  
Children  
(a) Cora Murray  
married Thomas W. Vincent  
B - 13 Apr. 1856  
D - 11 Sept. 1901  
(Cross Roads Cem.)  
(b) Edwin Murray  
B - 1859  
2nd Marriage Mary Jane Hazel  
B - 23 July 1837  
D - 18 Aug. 1913  
(Cross Roads Cem.)  
Children  
(a) Ernest Murray  
B - 1867  
D -  
(b) Lorenz Vincent  
married Elizabeth Long  
B - 9 July 1865  
D - 26 Aug. 1902  
18 June 1884  
12 Mar. 1857  
(b) John A. Murray  
B - 15 Dec. 1829  
D - 05 June 1866  
(Cross Roads Cem.)  
Colonel - Civil War
5. Margaret Jane Married Sam Hughes
   (Maggie) Murray               B - 30 June 1815
   B - 29 Feb. 1835              D - 05 June 1884
   D - 29 Jan. 1924
   (Eno Pres. Ch. Cedar Grove)
Hughes descendants still live in the
Cedar Grove Area.
6. Albert Murray Sheriff of Alamance Co. in 1870.
   B - 24 Sept. 1832
   D - Feb. 1879 Married Nancy
   (Cross Roads Cem.) B - 1836
7. Elizabeth H. Murray
   B - 1840
   D - 25 Jan. 1852
   (Cross Roads Cem.)

   Elish Murray 2nd Marriage  Nancy Shulta Lea
   27 Dec. 1845 Oliver
   B - 23 Apr. 1804
   D - 11 Oct. 1874
   (Cross Roads)

   Children
   1. Emma Virginia Murray married William Baxter
      B - 1847
      D - 1898
      (Cross Roads Cem.)
      B - 1850
      D - 1925
   Children
      Julian Sellars married Minnie Roney
      Elmo Sellars
      Oscar Sellars
      Lacy Sellars
      Ada Sellars married Edward Compton
      William Sellars
      Baxter Sellars married Gertrude Frazier

G. Andrew Murray married Elizabeth Hart
   B - 7 Jan. 1796
   D - 17 Jan. 1872
   (Cross Roads Cemetery)
Children
   1. Nancy Murray Did not marry
      B - 19 Dec. 1823
      D - 24 Nov. 1889 (Cross Roads Cemetery)
   2. William James Murray (Jeems)
      B - 2 Feb. 1826 married Phoebe Benson
      D - 26 Oct. 1917 1847
      B - 1833
      D -
      Children
      (a) John Franklin Murray m/Mary A. Patton
      B - 1854
      D - 1918
(1) Alexander E. Murray  
B - 2 Jan. 1878  
D -  

(b) Sophronice (Sarah?) ("Flora")  
B - 1857? 1923  m/Franklin Rogers 1853-1935  
m/4 Dec. 1879  

(1) Ava Etta Rogers  
B - 6 Jan. 1884  
D -  

3. Eli Murray married Martha P. Benson  
B - 8 Mar. 1828  1st  B - 08 May 1828  
D - 9 Apr. 1899  D - 02 Sept. 1867  
(Cross Roads Cem.)  

Children  

(1) William Presley Murray m/Cornelia Burke  
B - 17 June 1852  m/1st  B-17 Jan. 1852  
D - 29 Oct. 1923  D-11 Dec. 1891  
(Cross Roads Cem.)  (Cross Roads)  

Children  

(a) Burnie Murray  
(b) Andrew Eli Murray  
(c) Willie Graves Murray  
m/Mozelle Vaughn  
(d) George Franklin Murray  
m/Georgia Hicks  

2nd Marriage - W. P. Murray and Fannie Boswell  

Children  

(1) Hattie Iola Murray M/ Bob Lynch  

3rd Marriage - W. P. Murray M/ Nancy A. Tate  
(no children)  B - 4 July 1855  
D - 2 Feb. 1928  
(Mt. Zion Church  
Orange Co.)  

(2) Julie Elizabeth Murray m/J. W. Stainback  
B - 30 Nov. 1864  B - 1 Nov. 1852  
D - 22 Sept. 1938  D - 15 Nov. 1917  
(Cross Roads Cem.)  (Cross Roads)  

Children (those known)  

(1) Walter E. Stainback  
B - 2 Sept. 1888  
D - 1 Oct. 1952  
(Cross Roads Cem.)  

(2) Fannie Belle Stainback  
B - 10 Oct. 1890  
D - 08 Feb. 1900  
(Cross Roads Cem.)
2nd Marriage - Eli Murray 17 Dec. 1867 to
Melissa F. Burke
B - 8 June 1842
D - 17 Dec. 1914
(Cross Roads Cem.)

Children
(1) Emma Connie Murray
   B - 17 May 1871
   D - 14 Mar. 1880
(2) Cornelia Isabella Murray
   B - 25 June 1875 m/1st Calvin W. Russell
   D - 17 Aug. 1961 (Cross Rds. Cem.) No Children
   (Cross Roads Cem.)
   m/2nd ? Graham No Children
(3) Nannie Les Carrie Murray
   B - 12 Mar. 1882 m/James L. Garrison
   D - 01 May 1947 3 - 17 July 1876
   (Stoney Creek Church Cem.)
   D - 04 June 1950 (Stoney Creek Church Cem.)

END — Section I
James Murray

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\text{B} - 1725 - 1730 (?) \\
\text{D} - 1800 - 1810
\end{array}
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\[m/1st \quad ?\]

\[\text{Unknown}\]

James came to North Carolina from Maryland after 1750. He was married at that time. He first appeared in records with a land grant in 1755. In 1768 he signed as a witness to a will. He was listed as a "Taxable" in Orange County in 1779, in the 1790 Census (made up from Tax list).

Children

1. Catherine Murray

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\begin{array}{c}
\text{B} - 1750 + ? \\
\text{D} - \text{After 1800}
\end{array}
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\[m/\text{John Anderson} 1775 ?\]

Catherine, while not listed under the name of James Murray in records, is the only logical listing. John Anderson came to North Carolina before 1850 with his parents who settled near the Eno River. John's parents buried in the old Eno Pres. Cemetery, 2 Miles east of Cedar Grove, North Carolina.

The 1800 Census lists John and Catherine with 8 children ranging in ages from to 24 years. The children are listed in logical order with names and ages where known.

A. Sarah Anderson

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\begin{array}{c}
\text{B} - \text{May} 1776 \\
\text{D} - 7 \text{Dec. 1856}
\end{array}
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(Stoney Creek)

B. Elizabeth Anderson

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\begin{array}{c}
\text{B} - 1780 \\
\text{D} - 18 \text{Jan. 1839}
\end{array}
\]

(Stoney Creek)

C. Q. Anderson

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\begin{array}{c}
\text{B} - 06 \text{Feb. 1783} \\
\text{D} - 20 \text{Nov. 1854}
\end{array}
\]

(Cross Roads)

\[m/10 \text{ Sept. Susanah Bird} 1810 \]

\[B - 28 \text{ Oct. 1784} \]

\[D - 19 \text{ Jan. 1836} \]

(Cross Roads)
Children
1. Minerva Murray Anderson  m/23 Jan. 1840  Jesse Cant
   B - 25 May 1812  14 Mar. 1803
   D - 27 June 1879  16 July 1889
   (Stoney Creek)  (Stoney Creek)
Children (Among Others)
   John Q. Cant  B - 1847
   (Children - Cecil, Roger, Allen
   Russel, etc.)
   (of Glen Raven Mills, Burlington, NC)
2. Albert Anderson - Born 1813
3. Susanah Anderson - Born 1818, D - 1844
4. John Q. Anderson - Born 1820

D. Girl
B - 1786

E. Girl
B - 1791

F. Girl
B - 1793

G. Girl
B - 1795

H. Boy
B - 1798

We could find no will of John Anderson.

2. James Murray  m/?  Jennet ?
B - 1752 ?
D - March 1821
Will of James dated 1 March 1820 gave farm and all property
to his wife Jennet.
Children
A. James Murray  m/  1787
B - 1775 ?
D - 1845
The only record we have of the children is the
1820 Census, as follows:
1. Boy - 1808
2. Girl - 1810
3. Girl - 1812
4. Girl - 1814
5. Boy - 1815 - 16

B. John Murray  married  Elizabeth ?
B - 1777
D -
(Millwright)
The 1830 Census for Orange County lists
5 boys and 1 girl as children of John.
The 1850 Census for Alamance County lists only
John, age 77 and Elizabeth, age 74 with Cynthia Jones,
are 40 listed in their household.

C. William Murray                             married    Martha Pickett
    B - 1787                                   17 Jan. 1818
    D - before 1850                            B -

    Children
    (1) Walter J. Murray                       married    Nancy____
        B - 1818                                ?          B - 1818
        D -                                    D -
        (Farmer)
        Children                            
        (a) William                            
            B - 1846                          D -
        (b) Martha                             
            B - 1850                          D -
    (2) James Murray                           married    Martha____
        B - 1821                                1848       B - 1819
        D -                                    D -
        (Farmer)
        Children                            
        (a) John Murray                        
            B - 1849                          D -
        In 1850 James's mother, Martha Pickett
        Murray was living with him.
    (3) Mary Murray                             
        B - 1822 - 25                          D -
    (4) Margaret Murray                        married    _____ Roney
        B - 1828 - 30                          D -

D. _____ Murray                             married    Nancy____
    B -                                               D -
    D -                                               D -

In the will of James Murray (D - 1821) he mentioned
4 sons twice but did not mention the name of the 4th son. We are quite certain that his marriage
had displeased James and he left his name out
purposely. James also named James Madison Murray,
son of his brother (Half Brother?)

Walter Murray!
The 1830 Census listed Nancy Murray as a widow with
2 girls and 1 boy. In 1850 Nancy, aged 75, was listed
with her son James.

Children
    (a) James Murray                           married    Hannah____
        B - 1800                                1827?      B - 1813
        D -                                    D -
Children
(1) John Murray
(2) Delilia Murray Twins B-1829
(3) Joseph Murray B-1832
(4) James Murray B-1837
(5) Francis Murray B-1841

E. Elizabeth Murray married Isaac Craig
B - 1875 22 Jan. B -
D - 1803 D -
They had no children and lived near the Hawfields area of Orange and Alamance Co.

F. Mary Murray
did not marry
B - July 1789
D - 13 Feb. 1858
(Cross Roads Cem.)

G. Margaret Murray married David McAdams
B - 1781 1811 B - 1783
D - 13 March 1838 D - 3 Aug. 1868
(Cross Roads Cem.)

Children
(1) Elexzener McAdams
B - 30 Aug. 1812
D - 08 July 1900
(Cross Roads Cem.)

(2) Eli McAdams
B - 13 Oct. 1816
D - 02 Oct. 1856
(Cross Roads Cem.)

(3) Boy - Born 1818
(4) Boy - Born 1820
(5) Ellin McAdams
B - 1823
D - 23 Oct. 1907
(Cross Roads Cem.)

(6) Girl - B - 1828

H. Rachel Murray married Joshua Walker
B - 1790 ? B - 24 July 1789
D - 21 Jan. 1868 D - 28 May 1824
(Cross Roads Cemetary)
The 1820 Census listed 3 girls and 2 boys, all under 10 years old. No further record.
James Murray
2nd Marriage
19 October 1778

Elizabeth Murray
B - 1739
D - After 1800

Elizabeth was the daughter of William Murray, head of the families in Section I.

Children
There appears to be at least 4 children of this marriage but we can positively pinpoint only one:

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D - 1850 ?
(Cross Roads Cem.)

(Initial Markers Only)

Walter Murray lived very near Cross Roads Church on a 75 acre farm. He was a farmer and leather worker, working with "Tanner Eli" Murray until his death. Nancy was blind in her later years and the story from my father is that while her sons were away during the Civil War she signed a paper said to be a release of Walter's debts but was actually a deed to her farm.

The names of the two men are recorded in my personal family diary and will not be mentioned. In 1772, after the Death of Nancy Craven Murray, Nancy Murray - daughter of Andrew, sold to Eli (her brother?) the lands that formerly belonged to Walter G. Murray for $100.00. The unmarried daughters, Martha, Anne and Elizabeth moved some 3 miles west into a log house near James (Jeems) and John Murray, across Quaker Creek. This house is occupied by Ona Jeffries, who knew that 2 old maids had lived and died there. She relates that the old maids deeded the land to James (Jeems) who promised to see them decently buried. The land is now owned by Ola Murray Martin, a descendant of James (Jeems) Murray.

Children
1. Martha Murray
   B - 1817
   D - before 1900
2. James Madison Murray
   B - 1819
   D - 1862
   (Co K, 6th NC Regiment
   Enlisted in 1861 - Killed)
3. Elizabeth Murray (Bet)
   B - 1822
   D - about 1900
   never married
4. Ann Murray  
B - 1824  
D - about 1900  
Daughter:  
Francis (Fanny) Murray  
B - 27 Sept. 1866  
D - 7 May 1935  
(Freidens Church Cem.)  
Son:  
Benjamin Franklin Murray  
B - 12 March 1888  
D - 29 April 1974  
(Freidens Church Cem.)  
married Annie Caviness  
1st B - 15 June 1888  
16 Aug 1910 D - 10 May 1932  

Children  
(1) Frank J. Murray married Margaret Susan  
B - 4 Nov. 1919 Barbee  
(2) William Howard (Fats) Murray  
B - 20 July 1921  
(3) James Walter (Pete) Murray married Adell Riley  
B - 20 March 1925  
(4) Annie Mary Murray  
B - 9 Aug. 1928  
D - 4 Dec. 1930  
(Freidens Church Cem.)  

2nd Marriage 4 July 1933  
Mary Phillips Overcash  
B - 15 Mar. 1904  
Stepson John Overcash, Jr.  
B - 15 July 1927  
marrred Rosa Matkins  

5. Walter Murray  
B - 1833  
D - before 1850  

6. William Murray  
B - 1831 (Co. F, 6th NC Regt. Enlisted in  
D - Nov. 1861 May 1861. Died Nov. 1861)  

7. John Alvis Murray married Sarah Jane Lassiter  
B - 1825 1874 (Rockingham Co.)  
D - 17 Nov. 1900 B - 1845  
(Brown's Chapel, Burlington) D - July 1921  
(Brown's Chapel Cem.)
John A. Murray was a farmer, tall and slender and said to be prone to fight quickly. He lived first in the Cross Roads area then moved to the area of Glencoe Mills where he lived until his death. Sarah Jane was a very small woman and left John A. Murray in 1895. She returned for short visits until her death in 1921 at the home of her daughter, Daisy Webster, in Greensboro, NC.

Children

(A) George A. Murray
- B - 9 Sept. 1875
- D - 12 May 1940

(B) George Murray
- B - 3 Feb. 1914
- D - 24 Aug. 1974

Margaret Emma
- B - 24 Dec. 1873
- D - 8 Nov. 1965

Children

(1) Martha Francis Murray
- B - 11 Nov. 1903
- D - 5 June 1904

(2) Ada Bell Murray
- B - 20 April 1905
- D - 13 Jan. 1949

(3) Ethel Lucille Murray
- B - 26 April 1907
- D - 12 April 1974

(4) Beulah Beatrice Murray
- B - 5 Sept. 1909

(5) Edgar Morris Murray
- B - 12 Oct. 1911

(6) Hubert Woodrow Murray
- B - 16 March 1916

(7) Mary Agnes Murray
- B - 15 March 1916

Margaret Emma (Mitchell) Hall
- Married on 26 June 1902

Children

(1) Martha Francis Murray
- Married on 25 Apr. 1941

(2) Ada Bell Murray
- 1st marriage to Thomas Albert (Jack) Cobel
- 2nd marriage to Johnny Burch
- 3rd marriage to Elmer Kelly

(3) Ethel Lucille Murray
- Married to Mary Magdalene (Maggie) Crumpton
- 1st marriage to Mary Magdalene (Maggie) Crumpton
- 2nd marriage to Mary Magdalene (Maggie) Crumpton

(4) Beulah Beatrice Murray
- Married to Johnny Burch

(5) Edgar Morris Murray
- Married to Mary Magdalene (Maggie) Crumpton

(6) Hubert Woodrow Murray
- Married to Ruth Holden Smith

(7) Mary Agnes Murray
- Married to Frank Hughes

George A. Murray did farm work while young, also worked at the whiskey still at Dickeys Mill and carried mail from Burlington to Yanceyville. When he married Mrs. Emma Hall he was working in the Lakeside Cotton Mills in Burlington. Mrs. Hall had 5 children by her 1st husband, Edward Beal Hall, and 4 were living at the time of her 2nd marriage. She was the daughter of Austin Mitchell and Mary Catherine Boone, descendant of Squire Boone (Squire-Jonothan-John-David-Jonathan.) George Murray died of burns from an exploding obstruction flare pot on Apple Street in Burlington on 8 Sept. 1940.
B. Walter Murray
   B - 1876
   D - 1879
C. Daisy Murray
   married
   Thomas Webster
   B - 1878
   D - 1963
D. Robert (Bob) Murray
   married
   Iva Webster
   B - 1880
   D - 1933
E. Minnie Murray
   married
   Lee Murray
   B - 1882
   D - 1911
F. Della Murray
   married
   Henry Ellis
   B - 1884
   D - 1967

End Section II
Section III

Unidentified Murray Families

There are many families of Murrays who cannot be definitely placed in any particular family. They appear to be descendants of the original Murrays but public records are lacking and some of the early Census records were lost, which might have provided the necessary link. I am therefore listing these families by dates (where known) in hopes that someone may have a family record and properly place them in the family tree. I prefer this rather than trying to guess or assume a connection.

1. Rachel Murray, widow of Alse (Also) Murray. Rachel was born about 1775-1780 and married Alse on 4 Jan. 1807. The 1830 Census listed 2 girls between 15 and 30 years old. Later Census records listed Rachel with anywhere from 2 to 4 children. It is possible that she "took in" orphaned relatives.

2. Ellin Murray was born about 1780 and was listed in the 1820 Census as a widow with 5 boys ranging from 10 to 26 years old. No further record was found and the boys' names are not known.

3. Lindsey Murray born in 1801, married 10 Sept. 1841 and died between 1851 and 1860. The 1860 Census listed his widow as Charity Thomas Murray living at the Glencoe Mills with 3 children; Jane born in 1843, Leonia born in 1844 and William born in 1851. The 1870 Census did not list Leonia - who had either married or died.

4. James Murray was born 8 Sept. 1803 and died 24 Sept. 1873. He was married on 5 Feb. 1823 to Nancy (Rogers?) (Both are buried at Cross Roads) Census records indicate a son was born, Benjamin, in about 1840.
5. Joseph Murray - The 1850 Census lists him as a preacher, born in 1804. His wife was Elizabeth (age 33) and their children were Vervis, age 7; James, age 7; Nancy 5; Sarah 4, Riley 3 years old.

6. Benjamin Murray - Listed in the 1860 Census as 55 years old with wife Rosanna Murray, age 50. Their children were:
   - Pricilla - Born in 1835
   - Margaret - Born in 1839
   - Mary - Born in 1842
   - Sanders - Born in 1846

   Sanders Murray married Betty Wrenn (D - 1910?)
   and among their children were
   - Their only child was Zachery C. Murray who lives on NC 62 at the Haw River Bridge at Glencoe.

7. Goodneer Murray is listed in the 1850-1860 Census with wife Ann Smith Murray. He was born in 1806 and Ann was born in 1812.

   Children:
   - Alsa L. Murray born 1837
   - William L. born 1839
   - Elizabeth born 1840
   - Sarah L. born 1845
   - Layfayette born 1848
   - Mary born 1842
   - Horace born 1854
   - Olive born 1856

8. W. J. Murray was born 1808 with his wife Margaret born in 1801. He was a cabinet maker.

   Children:
   - W. A. Murray Born 1846 Male
   - M. J. Murray Born 1849 Female
   - J. A. Murray Born 1853 Female
   - ? H. Murray Born 1856 Female
   - S. M. Murray Born 1860 Female

9. Calvin Murray was born in 1815 with his wife, Jane Lindsey born in 1814, married 10 Sept. 1841.

   Children:
   - Eugene Murray Born 1844
   - Stephen Born 1848
10. **John Murray** was a laborer and wife, Felner (Teenes?) both born in 1822.

   **Children:**
   - Rachel born in 1846
   - Susan born in 1848
   - Nancy born in 1850

11. **David Murray** was a laborer born in 1824. He was married 3 Sept. 1846 and his wife, Lisa (Elizabeth?) was born in 1823.

   **Children:**
   - M. J. Murray born in 1846 Female
   - J. W. Murray born in 1847 Male
   - M. Murray born in 1850 Male
   - M. A. Murray born in 1852 Female
   - J. M. Murray born in 1855 Male

**NOTE:** David (above) may have been a son of a James Murray (1877) of Section I.
Sources of Information

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2. Family Stories and Histories
3. Family Bibles
4. Alamance and Orange County Records
5. N. C. Marriage Records
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7. Cemetery Tombstone Dates and Names

NOTE: Most of the marriages, deeds, wills, court records, and U. S. Census records can be found on micro-film at the Alamance Technical Institute.

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